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COL. CHARLES A. WINGO

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Like most newly elected officers I feel especially proud to be your new president. On the other hand, I also feel a keen sense of responsibility to continue the growth in size and prestige that our association has enjoyed in the past, through the able leadership of my predecessors.

We owe so much to outgoing president Lyman Bartee, who has been so successful in leading us during the past four years. It will be a real challenge to match his performance and it is gratifying to know that he will be on the board, as immediate past president, and readily available for consultation and advice.

I call upon all of you to focus your attention on making this era of our country's bicentennial, the greatest ever for numismatics in general, and your association in particular. Very few hobbies are so closely related to history as numismatics and we should make the most of this opportunity to promote our hobby as we celebrate our national heritage.

With the outstanding staff of officers that you have elected to serve with me, and those who have accepted appointments, I know that we will continue to move forward. All we need is your help, and—in case you hadn't realized it—you, the general membership, is the most important element in the whole operation.

Here are just some of the ways in which you can help:

1. **Attend and participate in the activities of your local coin club.**

2. **Seek opportunities to promote numismatics. See that it becomes a part of your local bicentennial celebration.**

3. **Obtain at least one new member for the TNA.**

4. **Submit suggestions for improvement in your association to your district governor, and to other appropriate officers of the TNA.**

5. **Write an article for the TNA NEWS.**

Thank you for this opportunity to serve you. I pledge to do my part in making our organization recognized as the greatest state numismatic association in the nation!

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HAIL TO THE CHIEF!

By JOHN C. FACE,
Corpus Christi, Tex.

Chief Cuauhtemoc was not only chief of the Aztec tribe of Indians in the Valley of Mexico, but their emperor and the last one of the dynasty. Before reviewing the life of Cuauhtemoc and the coins bearing his portrait, it would be appropriate to briefly outline some of the Aztec customs, culture and origin of this mysterious tribe.

The Aztecs settled in the Valley of Mexico which we now know as the area around Mexico City. Although their customs, or at least some of them, may shock us in our modern-day society, we should not judge the Aztec too harshly. The method used to conduct war and religious rituals were very real and proper to them and were acceptable in many parts of the world at that time. The Aztecs were fighting for their homes and their very lives and all they owned was at stake.

I did not realize that so little information was available on the Emperor Cuauhtemoc. It is sparse but when one starts preparing an article or program one is going to learn something.

The Tenecas Indians, later to be known as the Aztec Indians, first appear on the central American scene as a primitive people who thought to have emerged from a lake island in the western part of the country early in the 12th century. They worshipped Huitzilopchtl (translated as hummingbird wizard), an idol they were supposed to have found in a cave. They carried this idol with them in their wanderings. The idol is said to have actually talked to the priests, and through these priest-like leaders, directed their wanderings. About 1248, the Tenochas settled at Chapultepec, a rocky fortress of a hill standing high above the waters of the main lake. There is a castle there now and is the center of a great park to the southwest of Mexico City.

They remained there for about 50 years but their warlike behavior and ambitious priests provoked the other tribes in the area. The Tenochas were defeated in a battle with other tribes and fled. There are several versions of this flight after the battle. One has the chief being captured and sacrificed and the majority of the tribe carried off as slaves with the few that escaped fleeing into the reed marshes of the lake itself. No matter what the exact story, they settled in the territory of Lake Texcoco which fulfilled a prophecy or command by the god Huitzilopchtl —"To settled where they saw an eagle feeding."

Their new home was a good choice, for the rock islands gave security and the water a means of transport. Moreover, it was the meeting point

of three city-kingdom boundaries and the Tenoches were subject to no particular king which proved to their advantage.

The first settlement was built about 1325 and it was not until the beginning of the 15th century that the city began to emerge as a military power. Thus began, from the Tenochas Indians, the famous Aztec empire. The word empire can be misleading when referring to the Aztecs. Military successes were never consolidated into an administrative unit? The Aztecs like every middle American power before them, exacted tribute from the tribes they conquered but left them independent as an organization. This was the Achilles heel upon which Cortes was able to play with such effect.

From this brief summary of the origin and background of the Aztecs, it will be noted that—extraordinary though their race was—they were not the creators of the advanced civilization that Cortes found at Tenochtitlan. They inherited it and there is no evidence that they contributed very much. Nevertheless the city they built out in the waters of Lake Texcoco was one of the wonders of the world.

The introduction of human sacrifice into the Aztec culture was sparingly [illegible]. At [illegible] captive [illegible] [illegible] in queue waiting to have [illegible] sacrificed [illegible] gods. They practiced cannibalism [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Conquistadores, with [illegible] [illegible] to the warrior who [illegible] the [illegible]. The cannibalism grew to be such a habit that it [illegible] one of the conquistadors, writing anonymously, to state categorically that they valued it more highly than any other food in the world; so much so, that they often went off to war and risked their lives to kill people to eat.

However, the revolting nature of their religious rites should not blind us to the fact that the Aztecs were the culmination of a remarkable cultural development and that they were in all respect as advanced as the Spaniards. Their administration system was not much inferior to that of 16th century Europe. All power stemmed from the monarchy, but their kings were not hereditary. They were chosen from the ruling house by a small number of electors who subsequently constituted a sort of privy council and became the crown's principal advisors.

Moctezuma came to the throne in 1503. He had been chosen from a number of candidates by 12 electors. He was about 23 years old at the time and was chosen more for his observance of the ritual ceremonies of their religious beliefs than his ability as a warrior. Thus the electers paved the way for the entry of Cortes into Mexico and their own destruction. When Moctezuma came into power, the cult of human sacrifice was at an absolute peak and in one campaign against the Oaxacans he was able to sacrifice 12,000 captives. However, this did not exceed the 20,000 who were sacrificed in 1485 by Emperor Ahuitzotl upon completion of the temple to the gods of war and rain.

[illegible] made his way to [illegible] by conquering many [illegible] [illegible] Mexico on November 8 [illegible] and was [illegible] by Moctezuma who believed that Cortes was the Aztec god [illegible] Quetzalcoatl, and prophecy had been fulfilled by Cortes' appearance. According to legend, Quetzalcoatl was tall, white skinned, with [illegible] hair and flowing beard, who came out of the east, out of the sunrise, who disappeared into the sea as mysteri-

ously as he came, and who would return.

Moctezuma gradually came under the full power and control of Cortes and at the same time lost control and the respect of his own people. Moctezuma was deposed and Cuitlahuac, the brother of Moctezuma, was elected in his place. This elective council was composed mainly of war chiefs who wanted to throw the invaders back from the beginning. So it was war in earnest now, but at one point Cortes appealed to Moctezuma to stop the war. Moctezuma replied that the Mexicans had chosen Cuidahuac as king in his place and that he did not think there was anything he could do to stop it. Moctezuha attempted to speak to his people. But those present were not prepared to wait submissively while the ex-king once again sapped their will to fight. Cuitlahuac was one of them and Cuauhtemoc, a youth born to be king and trained in the violence of war, was another. Whether an order was given or not, and if so who gave it is not known, but the parley ended in a sudden shower of arrows and stones. Moctezuma was hit and died three days later.

Cuitlahauc died of small pox four months after being elected to replace the deposed Moctezuma. Cuauhtemoc was elected emperor, being 25 years old at the time. He was the son of Emperor Ahuitzotl and a nephew of the emperors Moctezuma and Cuitlahuac. He was married to the daughter of Moctezuma even though Aztec law forbid marriages of close relatives and there has been no explanation for the exception. This strong and courageous leader was unable to overcome the mutual distrust of Indian communities for one another. When the Aztecs might have joined together with groups to overwhelm the Spaniards by sheer weight of numbers, they did nothing.

The defense of Mexico by the Aztecs, though little is known, must rank as one of the epics of military history. Under their young commander, Cuauhtemoc, they fought with utter disregard of death and with the bravery of those whose business is war. One account during the fighting was of the Mexicans attacking and throwing roasted arms and legs into the midst of the Spaniards, screaming—"Eat the flesh of these teules and your brothers, for we are glutted with it. Stuff yourselves on our leavings." The end came suddenly on August 13, 1521 after many skirmishes and battles. Cortes mounted an all out assault and more than 15,000 Mexicans were killed that day with Cuauhtemoc being captured.

Cuauhtemoc was brought before Cortes, where his dignity and chiefly demeaner received the attention of the Spanish general staff. The request for treasure brought the answer that there was none; it lay under the waters of Lake Texcoco with the Spaniards who were slain the preceding winter in their disastrous flight from the city. Cuauhtemoc underwent prison and torture to try to get him to reveal the hiding place of the Aztec treasures and was finally murdered years later on Cortes' march to Honduras. Some references say that he was accused of conspiracy against the Spaniards in 1522 and hanged. Some references give a later date.

In Estados Unidos Mexicanos (United States of Mexico) Cuauhtemoc is considered a national hero and he has been honored on a 5-peso coin and the 50 centavos from 1950 to date.

The 5-peso of 1947 and 1948 shows a hooked neck type eagle with inscription above. The reverse carries a portrait of Cuauhtemoc in war headdress facing left. The silver

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COLLECTORS IN LIMBO

By BRAD MILLS,
Dallas Morning News

Brad Mills

The general confusion in world monetary markets has brought a flood of requests from collectors, speculators and hoarders. Principally they are asking (1) how to get into the thick of things, (2) information on specific coins to acquire, and (3) a good method to dispose of personal collections or holdings now up for sale.

This vast multitude of collectors include both bulls and bears, with many wanting in and some wanting out. Obviously those who have ridden silver and gold coins upward on the profit side wonder whether they should sell, buy more or merely hold for further possible enhancement. The hard core, conservative collector is simply riding it out.

The speculative angle in numismatics is a relatively new trend that started in the mid-1950s. Closing of the San Francisco mint in 1955 could be called the beginning of a surge to acquire coins in bulk having relaltively low yearly issues. The 1955-S dimes and pennies were snapped up by banks, dealers and certain influential interests that hoarded the coins, first because of their scarcity and, secondly for the reason that they represented the last year of issue at a famous mint.

Through favoritism and weak distributing methods these "S" coins became tightly held and very expensive. The modern search for potentially scarce coins seemed to spread from the rush to acquire the 1955 dimes and pennies from San Francisco, although a few of the more astute collectors have been selective and observant since about 1860. Estates coming to light now and then attest to the fact that selectivity has always been important in any sensible portfolio.

Inflation has been the greatest world factor in drawing public attention to coins in "bulk" form. Sharp advances in silver and gold bullion prices made collectors of a sort out of almost everybody after 1964. The first Kennedy half dollar in 90 per cent silver was a distinct adjunct to the puhlic desire to own and hold silver coins.

These new-type coins, likewise, were mostly distributed hy banks through favoritism and small under-the-table premiums from the beginning. They have proved a profitable investment solely because of higher silver prices and not because of their scarcity in the marketplace. However, it must be admitted that holders of these half dollars might have been smarter than we thought at the time of issue. They are at least holding a premium coin.

The U.S. gold sale of two million ounces to the public at auction in January is not directly related to coin collecting, but it might as well be. Owners of heavy gold coins are wondering if this action will unfavorahly affect the value of their holdings bought considerably above bullion prices over the past few years. It is not known whether the initial sale of two million ounces will be followed by subsequent sales in a similar manner. The going "fixed" price of gold bullion between leading nations is $42.22 per ounce, but the U.S. auction lot will automatically move at the much higher "floating"

price. At present the world gold market is in an uneasy state

Virginia Knauer, special assistant to President Ford on consumer affairs, recently issued a number of rules to be observed by purchasers of gold bullion or coins. She explained that careless acquisition of gold may be more a minefield than a gold mine. Mrs. Knauer's guidelines follow, with accompanying comments of interest

1. Be wary of unsolicited correspondence or calls from strangers offering to sell you gold or gold investments.
2. Be skeptical of promises of spectacular profits. Ask yourself Why am I being offered this golden opportunity?
3. Resist pressures to make hurried, uninformed investment decisions.
4. Be suspicious of claims of new, secret or exotic processes to extract gold.
5. Seek independent advice from a person you trust and who is knowledgeable.
6. Consider the risks in relation to your financial position and needs.
7. Find out if the company has registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or state security agency.
8. Attempt to determine the seller's markup, or how much it will cost the seller to purchase the gold
9. Ascertain what costs, in addtion to the quoted price of gold, are involved. For example, you may be required to pay a refining charge, assay fees, commissions, shipping and storage fees, insurance costs and sales tax
10. Demand a written guarantee concerning weight and fineness, or purity. Some gold bears a refiner's mark assaying its weight and fineness, however, there aren't any federal standards on such transactions.
11. Attempt to make your purchases through local, reputable firms. (Firms including the term "exchange" in their names should not be assumed to constitute an association or group of firms providing a public market for both buyers and sellers.
12. Obtain in writing the terms of your purchase, as they relate to storage, security precautions, genuineness, and substitution in any form.
13. Determine whether the gold will be segregated and stored in your name (not the supplier's or seller's). Obtain a written receipt showing that the requisite amount of gold is being stored for your account by a reputable concern.
14. Determine whether there will be a ready market for the gold in the form being offered you (coins, shapes or bulk of any kind). Determine whether there are any charges for reassaying, recasting into a different shape or transporting to a distant market before eventual disposition.

Mrs. Knauer did not mention the risks of installment or layaway buying, but this author would like to advise purchasers to know the sellers' reputation when acquiring gold on some type of delayed delivery basis.

Anthony De Francisci designed the Peace dollar and his initials appear on the obverse below the bust of Liberty

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NUMISMATICS— . . . . and its relation to other sciences

By LUIS ENRIGUE RUIZ

The science of numismatics deals primarily with the study of coins and medals; thus it is a hand maiden of history since the data contained in it constitutes factual and chronological source material of the first order

The information contained in a coin is historical truth. Even if a particular incident is later presented in a different light, the coin "speaks out" its truth about the event. The coins of a given country reflect its vicisitudes, its great moments, its state of fortune, its devaluations, the fall of its statesmen, the change of leaders, a great portion of its flora and fauna, its monetary stability— all of these are a part of numismatics.

The study of coins has evolved with time. Up to the 17th century, numismatics was concerned only with Greek and Roman coins; subsequently this subdivision was expanded to include Rome, Greece and China, as all Oriental coins were considered Chinese. Still later the subdivision consisted of Greek, Roman, Chinese and foreign coins; a strange classification since the majority of modern coins were considered Greek Present day classification is more logical and includes: coins, medals, tokens and notes. The major aim is to collect a variety of specimens in any of the above categories; however numismatics may be practiced **without collecting coins or medals**, and conversely, an accumulation of coins or tokens does not necessarily constitute a numismatic activity, if the only aim is to have a hoard of great intrinsic value but of no value whatsoever from the standpoint of knowledge regarding the pieces. While it is well for the collector, his primary aim should be to interpret the message contained in his coins, to acquire knowledge through the study of his collection, in other words, to study numismatics.

Let us take up the origin of the word **NUMISMATICS**. It comes from the Latin word **NUMISMA**, and it in turn is derived from the Greeek word **NOMISMA** meaning "a gold or silver piece." However, there are other different meanings as well. We shall refer to those given by three Latin writers. Terence (195-159 B.C.) claimed that Nomisma came from **NOMISMATICS** and signified "Treatise on Coins." The Latin lawyer Ulpianus (170-228 A.D.) a Praetorian Prefect in the governments of Caracalla, Flagabalus and severus Alexander, who was assisssinated by the Praetorians, said that **NUMISMATICS** signified "ancient medal." Lastly, Prudentius (384-410 A.D.) a Hispanic-Latin lawyer born in Spain, in the colony of Calsan Augustus, now known as Zaragoza, believed that **NUMISMATIS** signified "The seal or such on copper coins." Based on the foregoing, numismatics is presently defined as the science concerned with the study and knowledge of coins and medals The person that deals in coins is termed a numnislarian and the person who has a special knowledge in this science is known as a numismatist.

Numismatics is closely related with many cultural activities. It is inti-

mately linked to **HISTORY** since the latter is defined as he narrates the true exposition of a past and memorable event. The greater portion of numismatics is **HISTORY**.

It bears a relation to **GEOGRAPHY** which is a description of the earth, since in collecting coins from various countries, a knowledge of their location in the world is acquired.

It is also related and is a powerful aid in the study of **ARCHEOLOGY** in that the latter discipline is concerned with the study of ancient edifices, monuments, tombs, roods, arms, jewels, artistic objects, tools and utensils.

Its tie with **ECONOMICS** is a close one since the latter is a science that dwells on the general laws governing production, distribution, circulation and consumption of goods. Since it is related to **ECONOMICS** it is thereby also related to **FINANCE.**

Its relations to **ICONOGRAPHY** is based on the fact that the latter science is concerned with the descriptioin of images, portraits, statues and monuments, and these are frequently represented on coins and medals. The study of coins often leads to an advanced understanding of shields and coats of arms which are the subject matter of **HERALDRY.**

Since **MATHEMATICS** has to do with measurable quantities, the tie is clear; the relation to **CHRONOLOGY** lies in the fact that the computation of times and the recording of events is based on dates.

It has to do with **METALLURGY** since this science deals with metals with **PALEOGRAPHY** since it has to do with the knowledge and interpretation of ancient codexes and manuscripts. Similarly with **EPIGRAPHY** since both are concerned with inscriptions; and also with **LINGUISTICS**, which is the study of the structure of languages. One last related science would be **SPHRAGISTICS** which is the study of rings and seals.

It is clear then, that whoever takes a liking to numismatics will become acquainted, though in a small scale with the aforementioned arts and sciences. He will not only be better equipped to catalog his coins but will derive greater pleasure from his collection. He will not be troubled by the idea to speculate by holding onto a coin, but will become aware of the pleasurable surprises that await whoever takes up this fascinating hobby.

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TEXAS TOKEN TOPICS

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BY: JAMES L. RUHLAND
Vidor, Texas

TEXAS CENTENNIAL MEDALS & STORE CARDS

The Texas Centennial exposition was held in Dallas in 1936 to commemorate 100 years of Texas independence from Mexico. There were quite a few different medals and store cards struck for this occasion. This series is terribly overlooked by collectors. It is quite a long series and the items still sell fairly cheap. I have picked out a few pieces to list here.

MEDALS

1. Obv.—Poll Parrot / shoes / Texas Centennial souvenir / 1936 Texas / 1936 / 100 years of achievement
   26mm round brass

2. Obv.—Texas Centennial 1936 Souvenir of Texas 1836-1936
   21mm Round plated brass

(Note—This piece is the only Texas Centennial item that I would consider to be common.)

3. Obv.—Texas Centennial Exposition / 1836-1936 (Lettering is around the outer edge. The center of this medal features a star with rays in a blue field.)
   Rev.—Blank
   22mm round brass

4. Obv.—Texas Centennial Exposition / 1836 Dallas 1936 (Lettering around the outer edge with a star pictured in a rayed field.)

Rev.—The Lord's prayer printed within a wreath.)
19mm round brass

5. Obv.—Heads you win / Lucky / Coin / (Two political candidates (?) pictured) / 1936 Texas Centennial 1936.
Rev.—Tails you lose / (Picture of the south end of an elephant walking north) / -1936-
31mm round brass

STORE CARDS

All four of the Texas Centennial Store Cards that I've seen feature the same obverse with Texas State Centennial around the outer rim, and Sam Houston on a bucking horse over the lone star with the dates 1836-1936 on either side. The reverse of these cards advertise the business that gave them out. As I have stated above I have four different of these in my collection, but I am sure others exist. If you know of others I would like to hear from you. The four that I know of are:

1. Fort Worth / Bob Robertson's Cafe
2. San Antonio / Alamo Downs Inc.
3. Waco-Dallas / The Progress Laundry
4. Austin / McKean Eilers Company

All of these cards are 32mm round brass, and are very attractive well struck pieces.

Before going into another topic on tokens and store cards—we received information from Tom Wall, Box 1242, Independence, Mo. that he has several 1936 Texas Centennial Red Goose shoe medals available and if interested, you may contact him.

PICTORIAL TOKENS AND STORE CARDS

One of the most desirable types for the collector of Texas tokens is the pictorial pieces. These are tokens or store cards from a business that features a picture as part of their design. This picture will usually be of a significant building or land mark in the same area where the token is from.

Most of the Texas pictorials are from San Antonio with a few from Austin, Houston, El Paso and Galveston.

Pictorials in forms other than significant buildings or land marks are also known. Examples of these would be the White Elephant (saloon) from Denison, Texas that pictures an elephant on the obverse. The Ranch (saloon) from Kerrville that features a beautiful steer head as its central design on the obverse. Geo. M. Dilley & Son (saloon) Palestine which features Miss Liberty facing left as its central design feature.

Pictured is a double pictorial piece from San Angelo. By double pictorial I mean that there is a picture on both the obverse and reverse. Obv.—Fred Schmidt / Horse and steer with the man in the background with his arms raised over his head) / San Angelo, Texas. Rev.—Longest Horns / in the / World / Steer's head with the longest horns) / Eight Feet From Tip to Tip. This piece is 30mm round brass.

The pictorials from San Antonio would be too many to mention all here. The Alamo is the most often used picture on the San Antonio pieces followed by pictures of the different missions.

The difference between a pictorial token, or store card, and a medal is that pictorial store cards and tokens are from certain businesses where medals commemorate an event or place.

John R. Sinnock designed the Roosevelt dime and his initials "JS" appear at the base of the bust of Roosevelt.

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I was on my way to a movie the other night when Joe the Smuggler fell in step with me and, in his best conspiratorial voice, whispered loudly enough to be heard in three average Texas counties, "Hello, baby. No, don't slow down, and keep looking straight ahead."

Well, right away I thought that I was being kidnapped and a picture of that wise guy brother of mine laughing his fool head off as he read the ransom note, flashed through my mind. But when I recognized my fellow night walker I started to say: "Hello, Joe the. . ."

"Don't mention my name," he cut me sharply. "If you must say it, use the initials J-t-S."

"J-t-S. For Joe, the Smuggler?", I asked innocently.

"Yes, and will you cut that out?" he said. "I am trying out a new image. Anyway, I want to see if I can interest you in some real nice coins." And with that he opened his jacket long enough for me to see bunches of coins pinned to the coat lining.

"Well," I said after I got over my surprise, "What do we have here? Did you discover a sunken Spanish galleon off the Galveston beach, or did you get a new shipment from your Malaysian connection?"

Mom, you should have seen his face fall. "Funny that you should say that," he said after he got the color back in his cheeks. "Only this afternoon two boys from the local chapter of the Secret Service paid me a social call. At first I thought they were still investigating the McKinley affair; but then they started talking about Chapter 25 of the Federal Counterfeit law, and I knew I had better not let on that I had read somewhere that the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce had estimated that in a three-year period one enterprising Malaysia flim-flam artist had shipped all by himself, over 40,000 counterfeit coins to the United States." And that is how we got to talking about the 1973 Hobby Protection Act.

Did you know, Mom, that the HPA does not prohibit the manufacture or importation of reproductions or imitations of coins or political objects? That's right. You can now manufacture or import any fake coin, token, paper money or commemorative medal, as long as it is marked "COPY." The marking must be plain and permanent. Failure to mark such an item is unlawful and is considered an unfair and deceptive act or practice in commerce under the Federal Trade Commission Act. And, if that were not enough, fooling around with counterfeit stuff may be hazardous to your health as it will bring on your head all of the olympian wrath of our own Virgil Hancock.

You see, Mom, at one time some museums and other respectable people reproduced ancient coins and other nice numismatic material for

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JUNIOR READIN' ROUNDUP

By DAVE CERVIN,
Amarillo, Texas

TNA Youth Chairman
ANA Texas Youth Representative

(ADULTS: PLEASE READ)

And now for the announcement of the winners of the two biggest awards that Texas can offer her juniors — Junior Numismatist of the Year and Junior VIP. Junior Numismatist: Alan W. Garrett, Amarillo; Junior VIP: Colin Tuttle, Houston.

Before seeing what these juniors did to earn these awards, let's examine what the judges are looking for in determining the Junior Numismatist of the Year. Qualitatively speaking they are looking for the following accomplishments, in the order listed:

1. Their numismatic accomplishments that help others.
2. Their numismatic accomplishments that promote themselves.
3. Non-numismatic attributes.

Obviously the judges give the greatest weight to accomplishments under group one. Some of these activities are:

a. Holding office in coin clubs. More credit is given to an adult club than to a junior club. More credit is given to a principal office than to a minor office, such as sargeant-at-arms.
b. Organizing and promoting a junior club.
c. Writing articles that are published. Credits here obviously vary greatly.
d. Chairmaning a committee for a coin show. To a lesser degree, working at a coin show.
e. Bringing programs at coin club meetings as well as at non-club groups.

Group two, numismatic accomplishments that promote themselves, generally centers around exhibiting. Although the judges give credit to both quantity (number of exhibits and shows) and quality (awards earned), clearly they are more concerned with group one than with group two. The earning of youth badges or certificates, such as boy scout merit badge or YNCC certificate, fall in this classification.

Strong in group three, non-numismatic attributes, of course helps the nominee. The judges would like to have their winner be moderately well rounded in activities other than in numismatics. They would like to know that their winner has talents in fields other than numismatics. But clearly achievements here have to be somewhat near the bottom of the totem pole. After all, the competition is in numismatics, not in quarterbacking a football team or winning blue ribbons at a county fair.

With this introduction as to what the judges are looking for let's examine Alan's record. Further let's **read it, word for word, as included** in the nomination of Alan by the officers of the Amarillo Coin Club.

Alan W. Garrett, 15 years of age on June 29, 1974, has been an outstanding member of the Amarillo Coin Club. Joining in 1969 he has held the office of secretary since early 1972. After almost 3 years of being secretary he will in 1975 be the TNA representative for the club. He has done much work at every show we've had since he became a member. He always works in the hospitality [illegible]

ble; helps set up and tear down; runs errands for anyone; sells advance tickets and at the fall show in 1974 he very ably handled the position o. exhibits chairman He has given various programs at the club meetings based on his various collecting interests.

Alan has been a steady winner in the junior division for exhibitors at the local shows. In the fall of 1972 he won first place on "Confederate Currency"; in the summer of 1973, first place on "Confederate Currency" (Revised), in the spring of 1974, first place on "Stone Mountain Commemorative Half-Dollars", and in the fall of 1974, first place on "MacArthur Commemorative Coins of Philippines."

He has been a member of TNA and ANA since 1970 and he is a charter member of the Franklin Mint Collectors Society.

Alan's interests in coin collecting are in these various fields: Pre-1900 United States Coins; U. S. Commemorative coins. Confederate and Southern currency and bonds; gold; and also Roman coins. He earned 3 Roman coins in 1974: 1 for being an officer (secretary); 1 for a program and one for being exhibits chairman at the fall show.

Alan is an outstanding student, attending accelerated classes in school He is presently in the 10th grade at Amarillo High School. Some of his other interests are in old books, racket ball, trap shooting and target shooting. He reads and retains a great deal of information on many subjects and is a very interesting conversationalist

Now comes the sixty-four dollar question: do you have a junior, boy or girl, who exceeded Alan's achievements? This is in no way to belittle Alan's record. His was a fine year and the judges had no qualms in selecting him as the Junior Numismatist of the Year. But there are possibly 60 coin clubs in Texas and so very few nominations. In fairness to all juniors and to the judges who want to carefully examine as many credentials as possible, won't all of you adults make a sincere effort to nominate the best of your clubs next year? If you have two worthwhile candidates, then nominate both and let the judge decide. Make this your resolution, here and now, to work extensively with the juniors of your club and then nominate the best for consideration as Junior Numismatist of the Year.

Now let's talk about Colin Tuttle, winner of Junior VIP for 1974. As you would suspect VIP means Very Important Person, and goes to that junior who secures the greatest number of new members to TNA Colin literally needs no introduction as he was last year's Junior Numismatist of the Year. Colin now has a very unusual distinction: he is the only TNA junior to win both of these awards To top this off Colin was one of 12 juniors in the nation to be awarded a Summer Seminar Scholarship by the ANA last summer. It is a real pleasure to add the honor of Junior VIP for 1974 to other honors already earned by Colin Tuttle Congratulations, Colin!

We are proud of these two fine young people They are a real credit to all juniors, in all activities, everywhere

But there will be another year How about the rest of you juniors unseating them? Start right now And you adults, work with your juniors, advance them numismatically, and make them worthy contenders for the two big junior awards next year.

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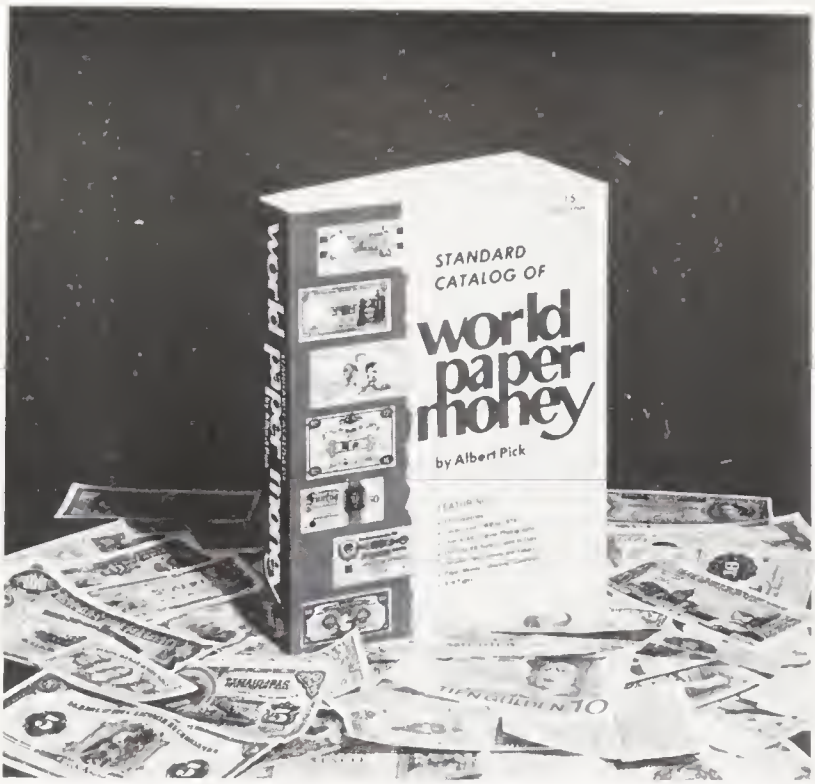

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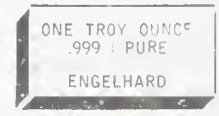

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DEAR MOM —

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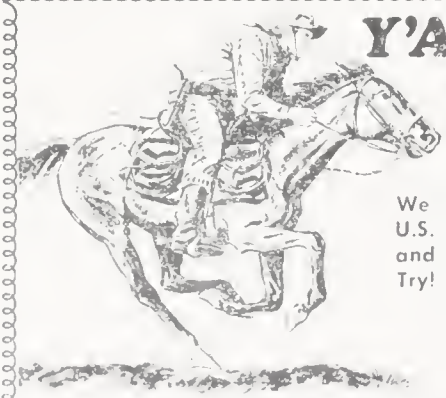

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Governor

Bennie Stout spoke to members of the **Mineral Wells Coin Club** on the grading of coins at the March meeting held at North Oak Community Center. Stout pointed out that there were numerous grades which can be used to describe a coin's condition.

Members were interested to find out that the reverse of a 1954-S nickel, even in uncirculated condition, is "badly worn." The steps leading up to Monticello are barely visible on some Late date Walking Liberty half dollars from the San Francisco mint are difficult to find in gem BU condition. The reason, Stout said, is that the San Francisco mint was halting operations and employees did not take time to clean the dies properly. Stout suggested the use of a Brown & Dunn or Photograde book for grading and advised against polishing a coin in good condition, or a fairly expensive one.

Of the 20 members present, special prizes were won by Vaughn Davis, Mike Holub, Raz Ford and Gene Whittington. —**Mike Holub, Reporter.**

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Members of the **Fort Worth Coin Club** were treated to two programs at the March meeting—one by C. C. Andrews of Dallas and the other by Virgil Hancock of Houston.

Andrews presented a slide showing on the coins of Hawaii and Hancock talked on counterfeit money. He had a microscope set up for members to examine coins he had on display.

A social hour and auction followed. The meeting was held at the Rodeway Inn. —**Terry Havens, Jr., TNA Rep.**

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DISTRICT III:

Bob Neely
Governor

The **San Angelo Coin Club** met in March at the La Quinta Motor Inn and Don Bale joined as a new junior member. W. J. Wilson won the prize at a special drawing and Bob Perry won the attendance award. Bill Lee conducted the auction.

The program was given by Wilson on the subject "The Gold Rush of 1975." Thirty one were present. —**Lucille Coleman, Sec.**

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DISTRICT IV:

Keith Johnson
Governor

The **Cen-Tex Stamp & Coin Club** has been re-activated in Killeen and meetings are held at the First National Bank on the first Tuesday. Business meetings are followed by a coin and stamp auction, special drawings and trading sessions. Programs are alternated

between stamp and coin topics.

Officers include Robert T. Hamlin, president; Mike Faulk, vice president; Edward B. Arnold, secretary; Carolyn Furnace, treasurer; and Robert Dunn, program chairman. The TNA representative is Robert Oates. —**Robert T. Hamlin, Pres.**

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A discussion on club participation in National Coin Week was held by the 48 members attending the March meeting of the **Waco Coin Club**. A special meeting will be held on May 25 with a program, bourse and auction with area clubs being invited to attend. The May event will be held at Texas Power & Light Service Center, the regular meeting place. —**J. P. Jones, Sec.**

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The March meeting of the **Austin Coin Club** had 22 members and guests in attendance and a program was provided by the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY with a slide set on "Mint Errors," a new addition to the slide set program and donated by L. G. Davenport.

Six members represented the club at the District 4 meeting in Temple on March 2 and several members indicated they would attend the TNA convention in Dallas. —**Lyman C. Bartee, Sec.**

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DISTRICT V:

The main business attended to at the March meeting of the **Dallas Coin Club** was the arrangement of details and assignments in preparation of the TNA convention. Tom Bain, bourse chairman, reported that more than 100 dealers would be on hand and Ed Slade, exhibit chairman, stated that 30 exhibitors had signed up.

C. C. Andrews
Governor

LCdr. C. C. Andrews presented his slide program on "Ships and Boats on Modern Coins," a chronology covering the development of ships and boats from about 1000 B.C. Landie McMains conducted the auction and Bain won the attendance prize. —**LCdr. C. C. Andrews, Sec.**

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As an experiment, the **Texomaland Coin & Stamp Club** held a "Mini-Show" at its final meeting in March and it proved to be a tremendous success.

All members were requested to bring something to show, trade or sell. Although coins predominated, one member brought a display of Avon bottles. Another brought many small size articles and souvenirs related to the early days of the Texomaland area.

The Mini-Show was restricted to members and invited guests so that adequate security could be provided by the local police department. A patrolman dropped by at frequent intervals to check on the activity.

One of the members operated a snack bar, serving hot dogs and sandwiches, with "coffee on the house." Several dealers from nearby towns attended on invitation.

A lot of items changed hands and everyone had so much fun that the club membership decided to schedule a Mini-Show for the last meeting of each quarter. —**Col. Chas. A. Wingo, TNA Rep.**

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Forty attended the recent meeting of the **LTV Coin Club** at Texas Electric Service Co. in Grand Prairie. Membership in the new club is open [illegible] year and the LTV Co. employees' club sponsors the coin club. Bulletins are posted on all plant bulletin boards and also mailed to members who are not employees of

LTA. The club also sends out coin want lists for members seeking certain types and dates.

A slide presentation on American colonial coins was given by Dr. D. P. Peterson and was made available through the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY. An auction was held both for adults and juniors. —**J. D. Thomas Reporter.**

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DISTRICT VI:

Marvin Currie
Governor

A collectors' show will be sponsored by members of the **Galveston County Coin Club** on July 12 at Nessler Center, 2010 - 5 Ave. N, in Texas City. Claude Ressler is general chairman and members will assist. Anyone desiring a table may contact Ressler at Box 2161, Texas City 77590.

Ruby Threlkeld gave the program on "Mexico - Fact or Fantasy." On the display table were two of the black Dona Rosa bells and a set of Mexican prayer amulets sold by the peons at the churches in Mexico.

Attendance prizes of 1922 silver dollars were awarded to Mrs. Threlkeld and Ressler. —**Ruby Threlkeld, Sec.**

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A coin quiz was given by Colin Tuttle at the March meeting of the **Greater Houston Coin Club** which was held at Southwestern Savings, 3838 Westheimer. Winners received "bonus checks" which are redeemable for money or for trade at any club meetings. The idea will be extended throughout the year.

New officers were to be installed at a banquet in April. Chris Johns is the new president, assisted by Colin Tuttle, vice president; Bob Sobel, secretary, and A. J. Lanier, treasurer. Tom Windsheimer and Wayne Imbrogno were elected to serve on the advisory committee and Bill Bauer was appointed as junior advisor. —**Colin Tuttle, Jr., Gov. Oct. 6.**

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DISTRICT VIII:

John C. Face
Governor

A show and tell program highlighted one of the March meetings of the **Corpus Christi Coin Club.** Taking part were Floyd Bienick, Billy Tate, Wayne Harris, Glenn Littrell, Gary C. Littrell, Norma Mather, Donna Lorfing, Jim Carton, Donnie Lively, David Burke, Joe Davis and John Face. Subjects ranged from coins to Avon bottles.

Mrs. Charlotte Nichols, ANA representative for TNA, attended the March 18 meeting and stressed exhibiting at the ANA convention in 1978 to be held in Houston.

Reports were heard on the March 1975 Collectors' Show and dates for the 1976 show were announced as March 13-14. —**Club Bulletin.**

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Several informative programs have been presented for members of the **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi. Marvin Hamilton spoke on the nickel covering the history of the coin from 1866 to date. He displayed a collection of nickels.

Lee Grossman gave a detailed review of the differences noted on a 3-legged Buffalo nickel and other Buffalo. He passed out copies of his talk to members for future reference. Ralph Watters conducted a mini auction.

At the last meeting in March Clarence Davis presented two slide

sets "Coins of the British World" and "Canada's Commemorative Dollars." —**Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT IX:

D O Joplin
Governor

Larry Sanderson and Ernest Mills conducted the monthly auction at the March meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield held at the Reddy Room. The club donated $20.00 for expense incurred by the TNA district governor, D O Joplin, in attending the convention in Dallas.

New members include Bill Coleman and Rev. Dyess. Gober Pitzer became a new junior member. — **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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Exhibit winners at the March coin show sponsored by the **Levelland Coin Club** were Wayne Arnold, first; Mrs. Wayne Arnold, second; and Darron McGee, third. Oscar Palmer of Levelland won the grand prize of a coin clock in a special drawing. Twenty three dealers were in attendance.

The club, in supporting the TNA district governor, D. O. Joplin, donated $20.00 toward expense in attending the convention. —**D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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Carl Zybach gave the program at the March meeting of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock and spoke on the coin hobby. He presented many beneficial points derived from a hobby such as doing, collecting, making and learning. Zybach was given a TNA achievement certificate for his program.

Twenty four attended the session held at First Federal Savings & Loan. The club voted to donate $5.00 toward the District 9 governor's expense to attend the convention. — **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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DISTRICT XIII:

W C Williams
Governor

The **Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club** will hold its third annual show at the Ramada Inn, 1211 Central Freeway on May 10-11. Logan Essex is bourse chairman and reservations may be made by writing to him at Box 1538, Wichita Falls 76307.

A new meeting place, the Orchid Branch VIP Club, is being enjoyed by members on the third Thursday of the month. William J. Murphy was elected to serve as publicity chairman and reports were given by W. C. Williams and Morris Lammond on the planned May show. —**William J. Murphy, Publicity.**

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DISTRICT XV:

Jerry Williams
Governor

The Ridgewood Inn will be the scene for the annual coin show to be hosted by the **Beaumont Coin Club** on September 13-14. All members were urged to work toward the success of the show.

Clyde McKee of Orange gave a talk on the care and treatment of coins. He stated that a valuable coin requires special handling and too often a coin is devalued by scratches, hand prints and rubbing.

At a later meeting, Joe Marshall presented a talk on "Money from Miami to Mandalay, Back to Memphis." He displayed paper money acquired during World War II.

Club Bulletin.

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A chairman for National Coin Week was to be appointed at the March meetings of the **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club.** The club meets at Bonanza Sirloin Pit.

At the April meeting a slide set program was planned on "Coins With Special Significance" furnished by the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY and donated by the club. Attendance prizes were won by Pepe Krummel, Tem Cobb and Russel Tritico. — **Club Bulletin.**

CAR CRASH TAKES LIFE OF BRAD MILLS

Brad Mills of Dallas was killed April 15 in a one-car accident near Jay, Okla. while on his way for a fishing trip at Grand Lake. Mills was riding with his sister, Mrs. Adeline Shetley of Pryor, Okla. when their car failed to complete a turn, crashed through a fence and hit a tree, according to the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.

Mills was an active coin collector and researcher since 1927 and had written over 1,000 articles on numismatics. He was a weekly columnist for the Dallas Morning News and contributed articles to the TNA NEWS. He was guest speaker on the Art Linkletter House Party on television; acted as a special consultant to fans writing about coins; and was appointed to the 1967 Annual Assay Commission by President Lyndon B. Johnson.

He was a member of TNA, ANA, Dallas Coin Club, Dallas Press Club and numerous other organizations.

Funeral services were held April 18 in Fort Smith, Ark. Mills is survived by his wife, Connie, one daughter, Mrs. Betty Goode, and two sisters.

HAIL TO THE CHIEF! —

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content of this coin is more than any other 20th century Mexican coin and it is the most popular modern coin in Mexico. It also contains more silver than our United States silver dollar. This coin was discontinued due to the severe peso devaluation in 1949. The 50 centavos of 1950-1952 shows a modern type hook neck eagle and a three-quarter bust of Cuauhtemoc. Just above the denomination, below the mint mark and in front of the portrait, appears an eagle with its head down in a falling position. The 11th and last Aztec emperor was Cuauhtemoc and a falling eagle corresponds to the meaning of his name. This coin contains only .300 silver.

The portrait on the 50 centavos copper issue of 1955-1959 is similar to the 5-peso issue. It features a hook neck eagle and a portrait of Cuauhtemoc. From 1964 to 1969, a new copper-nickel 50 centavos type was issued to replace the previous large copper coins. The design is basically the same although the lettering, arms and bust are proportionally larger.

The 50 centavos from 1970 to date shows a slight design change in the eagle. The hook neck eagle was retained but appears to be more stylized, patterned from native Indian art.

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BELLAIRE COIN CLUB, 2nd and 4th Tuesday, Southwestern Savings Bldg., 5301A Bissonnet.

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CENTRAL TEXAS COIN CLUB, 3rd Tuesday, Room A, Coliseum, Brownwood.

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BROWNSVILLE COIN CLUB, 2nd Tuesday, First National Bank.

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2nd & 4th Tuesdays, KSAT-TV, 1408 St. Mary's St., San Antonio.

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WACO COIN CLUB, 2nd Thursday, Texas Power & Light Center.

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TEMPLE COIN CLUB, 2nd Monday, Gober Youth Center.

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PASADENA COIN CLUB, 2nd and 4th Mondays, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church.

NORTHLINE COIN CLUB, 3rd Tuesday, 9722 Fulton, Houston.

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AUSTIN COIN CLUB, 2nd Tuesday, County Courthouse.

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ORANGE COIN CLUB, 1st Monday, Community Hall, Barton and 21st Sts.

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GREATER PORT ARTHUR COIN CLUB, 4th Thursday, Bonanza Pit.

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KEY CITY COIN CLUB, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, Sambo's Restaurant, Abilene.

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GARLAND COIN CLUB
2nd Tuesday, Garland Lions Club International.

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NUMISMATICS INTERNATIONAL, 3rd Wednesday, Republic Savings & Loan Assn., Dallas.

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4th Tuesday, Reddy Room, Southwestern Public Service Bldg., Littlefield.

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1st Thursday, Town House Motor Hotel.

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HIDALGO COIN CLUB,
1st Thursday, Chisum's Rock Shop, Pharr.

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SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB
2nd Monday, 1st Federal Savings & Loan Assn., Lubbock.

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AMARILLO COIN CLUB
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Lexington-Concord Half Dollar

"The shot that was heard around the world" on April 19, 1775, has its Sesqui-centennial commemorative in the Patriot half dollar dated 1925, in memory of the Lexington-Concord battle.

OBVERSE: It shows a Minute Man standing, gun in right hand leaving his plow at left. To left, "Concord Minute Man"; to right, "In God We Trust." Inscription above, "United States of America"; below, "Patriot Half Dollar."

REVERSE: The old belfry at Lexington; below, "Old Belfry, Lexington-Concord Sesqui-centennial, 1775-1925." Designed by Chester Beach and coined at Philadelphia.

The Lexington-Concord half dollar is officially known as the Patriot half dollar. It is doubtful if a better selection could have been made for a coin than these two designs of a Concord Minute Man and the old belfry at Lexington, but made from a sculptor's model, it lacks the sharp, clear-cut lines and lettering of the earlier coins.

There were 162,099 coined, 86 reported as returned and melted, leaving 162,013 outstanding which sold at $1 each.

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